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SUBJECT: DOMINICAN REPUBLIC EXTRADITES TWO FUGITIVES TO THE
U.S.

REF: A. 04 STATE 67665
1B. 04 STATE 118552

¶1. (U) On May 12, 2005, Jose Trinidad and Freddy Ignacio Velez Rodriguez were extradited from the Dominican Republic to the United States in the company of a U.S. Marshal. Trinidad is wanted for sentencing in the Eastern District of New York, where he pled guilty to fraud involving US \$6 million of illegally obtained food stamps, ref A. Velez Rodriguez is wanted for sentencing in the Eastern District of New York, where he pled guilty to a federal drug charge, ref 1B.

¶2. (U) Trinidad and Velez Rodriguez were arrested by the Dominican National Directorate for Drug Control (DNCD) on arrest warrants based on USG extradition requests. DNCD was assisted by DEA agents and the US Marshals.

¶3. (U) Trinidad and Velez Rodriguez are the 22nd and 23rd fugitives subject to extradition returned to the United States during the second administration of President Leonel Fernandez. They are the ninth and tenth fugitives returned from the Dominican Republic to the United States in 2005.
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